

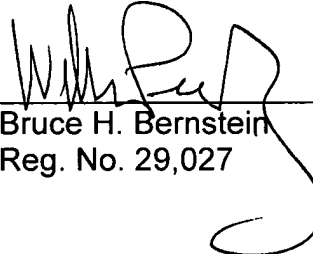
**SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION**

By the above amendment, claim 49 has been amended to clarify the language thereof. The claim amendment does not further limit or narrow the claim.

Any amendments to the claims which have been made in this amendment, and which have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon the prior art, should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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